

Focus on PACE (Primary, Alternate, Contingency, Emergency)

Objective 1: How is this currently handled—policies, procedures, networks, etc.?

- **Iowa**
 - **Prisoner**
 - **Polk**
 - Go out on ops channels until they are out of range.
 - State number of prisoners and destination.
 - Used to rely on EDACs
 - Still do when it is available.
 - RACOM customers can still use EDACS to communication back to home base.
 - LEA is used.
 - Maps are used to demonstrate where coverage exists for a given network.
 - Have to rely on a handbook if something goes awry.
 - VHF and 700 MHz radios in some transport vehicles.
 - **Iowa Co**
 - Iowa law aid.
 - Never had to ask for help, but may call into local dispatch centers to relay reports from the field of stranded motorists, deer hits, etc.
 - **Dallas**
 - Similar to Polk
 - Law Aid (VLAW 31)
 - Cell phones so drivers can call back.
 - **Linn**
 - Similar to Dallas
 - Hard to use LEA due to nomenclature and reliability
 - Map needed
 - **Carroll**
 - VHF ops network to start
 - Use Law Aid (VLAW31 or LEA)
 - Issues with coordinating transports if prisoner needs to use restroom.
 - VLAW used
 - MACH used to send messages upon arrival and start of return trip
 - Cell phones for voice comms
 - **DMPD**
 - Transports done by uniform personnel for in-state transports
 - UHF only radios in cars.

- No comms once out of DM Ops range
 - Cell phones used.
 - Non-uniformed personnel may take unmarked vehicle if they are going to just outside of state boundaries.
 - Road closure information needed.
- **Patient**
 - Very similar to prisoner transport
 - Daily transports out of county
 - Hospitals within 50 – 75 mile radius of Metro.
 - Some trips to Mayo Clinic, Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha.
 - Some talks to MN about ARMER.
 - Nonfederal interop channels needed
 - Only channel that is available is VLAW 31
 - Know it works and will get them into comms centers.
 - Crapshoot if CMED frequencies will work.
 - Transport from rural hospitals to metro hospitals
 - Some high-risk patients
 - Some mental health transports
 - Deputy or officer may have to follow ambulance
 - Some due to insurance coverages
 - Road closure information needed.
- **General Travel of Public Safety Outside of Service Area**
 - Training trips, meetings, conferences
 - Sometimes going to pick up a prisoner on a warrant
 - Could increase situational awareness of developing events
 - Previously dispatch centers had to rely on MACH and relay that to officers
 - Ambush scenario if they are in marked unit
- **How are you going to maintain contact outside home jurisdiction?**

Objective 2: Cover the new ISICS/County fleet map and if this is adequate to cover the communications needs of prisoner transport.

- **Fleet**
 - **Regional/Iowa Calling 1**
 - **Regional/Iowa Tac2**
 - **Regional/Iowa Tac 3**
 - **Regional/Iowa TAC 4**
 - **Regional/Iowa TAC 5**
 - **Regional/Iowa TAC 6**
 - **Regional/Iowa TAC 7E**
 - **Regional/Iowa TAC 8E**

- **Regional/Iowa LAW 9E**
- **Local Dispatch Calling Talk Group?**
 - Could this be used for calling in instances in which a PS person arrives on scene of an unreported accident?
 - Affiliated tower and surrounding towers.
- ~~Regional/Iowa Prisoner?~~
- ~~Regional/Iowa Medical?~~
- **Desire for talk local ops talk group to travel with deputy or ambulance and only light up home tower/console**
 - **Level 2 and above user?**
 - **Are there enough resources on any network for that?**
 - **Would a cell phone be better served for this type of 1 to 1 communication?**
- **How are we going to adapt?**
 - Desire for consolidation or change of use of legacy interop channels. Do we tie these into patches to newer networks?
 - MICS – DSM Metro interoperability
 - Tired/distracted drivers
 - LEA
 - Needs to be some consideration to bands used for calling (conventional V/7/8).
 - Does everyone need that?
 - What about personnel coming in from out of state?
 - Should it be regionalized?
 - Consolidate down to two conventional – VHF and 800
 - VCALL10 and 8CALL90
 - Could be on existing tower or at PSAP
 - Reprogram VLAW31 to VCALL10?